

Level of proficiency		Inadequate		Adequate		Superior	
A. Composition (33%, 6 points)		Subtract one point		Zero points		Add one point	
A1 Overall organization Do you have a clear introduction, body, and conclusion?	0	Overall organization is unclear.	0	Introduction or conclusion present but inadequate.	0	Overall organization is clear and effective.	0
A2 Body structure Effective subdivisions and paragraphs?	0	Body lacks internal structure.	0	Body has structure, but could be clarified.	0	Body is a model of clarity and structure.	0
A3 Grammar Are your sentences clear and well structured?	0	You make frequent grammatical errors.	0	There are occasional grammatical errors.	0	Your grammar is flawless.	0
A4 Vocabulary Is your word choice precise and correct?	0	Your use of words is frequently inaccurate.	0	Correct usage but lacks precision in meaning.	0	Your vocabulary is rich and precise.	0
A5 Fine editing Are there typos (spelling or other errors)?	0	Frequent errors in your fine editing.	0	Occasional errors in fine editing.	0	Your editing is flawless.	0
A6 Do you cite, quote, and reference appropriately, according to assigned style?*	0	Your citations, quotes, or references are inadequate.*	0	Effective citations, quotes and references with minor errors.	0	Your citations, references and quotes are flawless.	0
Composition subtotal	0	*Further penalties for plagiarism!	0		0		0
B. Analysis (33%, 6 points)		Subtract 1 point		Enter zero points		Add 1 point	
B1 Do you focus on a significant thesis or hypothesis?	0	Your paper does not have a clear focus.	0	You establish an imprecise focus.	0	Clear focus on significant thesis.	0
B2 Do you develop an alternative thesis or hypothesis?	0	You do not develop an alternative.	0	Thesis or hypothesis is partly appropriate.	0	Your thesis is appropriate.	0
B3 Do you clearly explain appropriate methods ?	0	You do not explain your methods.	0	Methods are not entirely appropriate.	0	Appropriate methods clearly explained.	0
B4 Do you analyze evidence both supporting & contradicting your thesis or hypothesis?	0	You do not analyze evidence related to your hypothesis.	0	Your analysis of this evidence could be improved.	0	You fully analyze evidence for and against your thesis.	0
B5 Do you analyze evidence both supporting & contradicting your alternative thesis or hypothesis?	0	You do not analyze evidence related to your alternative.	0	Your analysis of this evidence could be improved.	0	You fully analyze evidence for & against your alternative.	0
B6 Is your analysis logically consistent and coherent?	0	Analysis has many logical lapses.	0	Your logic is good, but has a few gaps.	0	You display clear cohesive logic.	0
Analysis subtotal	0		0		0		0
C. Conceptualization (33%, 6 points)		Subtract 1.5 points		zero points		Add 1.5 points	
C1 Develops theoretical concepts relevant in this course?	0	Either lacks concepts or concepts irrelevant.	0	Concepts used are partly relevant to this course.	0	Concepts are highly relevant to this course.	0
C2 Do you fully and correctly explain your concepts?	0	Conceptual errors or unexplained.	0	Your concepts need more explanation.	0	Concepts are correctly and fully explained.	0
C3 Do you integrate your concepts into your analysis?	0	Concepts are not related to analysis.	0	Your analysis makes some use of concepts.	0	Your concepts drive your analysis.	0
C4 Are your conclusions conceptually informed?	0	Disconnected conclusions.	0	Conclusions partly relate to your concepts.	0	Conclusions are theoretically rich.	0
Conceptualization subtotal	0		0		0		0
Summary score	0	-18 to -1 Inadequate	0	0 to 11 Adequate	0	12 to 18 Superior	0